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Subject:

STB Docket AB-33 Sub-No 255

 Request for six (6) month extension of the Interim Trail Use for Negotiations with Union Pacific Abandonment in Scott and Carver Counties. Minnesota

Dear Ms. Brown:

I am writing on behalf of the Carver County Regional Rail Authority and the Scott County Regional Rail Authority to request reinstatement of a six (6) month extension of the trail use negotiation period to acquire the Union Pacific Chaska Industrial Lead from near Merriam, Minnesota at mile post 38 to end of line at mile post 33 in Chaska, Minnesota.

The Surface Transportation Board granted previous trail use negotiation periods and extensions with the most recent period to conclude April 30, 2011. Unfortunately, we are unable complete a purchase agreement and close on the property during this time. The Regional Rail Authorities are on track to consummate an agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company for the acquisition of the railroad line. Union Pacific is amenable to this request.

By my signature below, I hereby certify that I have served all parties of record in this proceeding with this document by United States mail. The \$450 filing fee has been submitted by credit card to Barbara Saddler in your office.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at 952-466-5252, by email at mwalsh@co.carver.mn.us, or in writing at the above address.

On behalf of the Regional Rail Authorities, thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Walsh Parks Director

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